

Action by Missouri Clean Water Commission

Date of Action: September 7, 2005

Water Body:

Name: West Fork Post Oak Creek
Classification: C
Identification #: 0929
Length of Segment: 13.0 miles
County (ies): Johnson

Use Attainability Analysis (UAA) Finding(s):

A whole body contact (WBC) recreational UAA was submitted by Tetra Tech at the request of the department on July 14, 2005. The UAA was submitted to evaluate Criterion #2: Natural, Ephemeral, Intermittent or Low flow conditions.

Review Committee Recommendation (RCR):

Committee Recommendation: ☐ Retain Use ☐ Modify Use ☒ Remove Use ☐ Inconclusive
The UAA review committee determined the UAA supported removing the WBC recreational use designation, based on a lack of sufficient depth in the stream.

Summary of Comment(s):

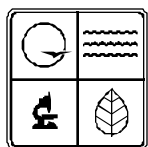
(1) Many comments opposed dumping raw sewage into the creek, since the creek is used for recreational purposes. (2) One individual wades in the creek up to his waist. (3) Another individual and friends fish, canoe, and catch frogs in the creek and therefore oppose the exemption. (4) A woman is concerned for students who study the creek and wade it. She had full body contact 5 times from 1975-79. She sent pictures. (5) A person comments that they walk the creek banks and fish. Please don't exempt and allow raw sewage into the creek. (6) Woman and her nephew wade in the creek and it is deep enough for a child to have whole body contact. (7) UAA 0186: Survey was conducted at an unlikely time for WBCR. There was no discussion of the impact of trash or cattle on hydrology, water quality, and WBCR. No water quality sampling or interviews were conducted. A study of at least one year is necessary.

Commission Action on Comment(s):

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Because of the comments received, the commission voted to retain the WBC recreational use designation for West Fork Post Oak Creek from the mouth upstream to Section 22, Township 45 North, Range 27 West (22,45N,27W). The commission directed further investigation to determine specific locations and extent of recreational activities.

Final Order of Rulemaking:

The whole body contact recreational use designation will be retained on West Fork Post Oak Creek in Johnson county from the mouth upstream to 22,45N,27W (13.0 miles).



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